

February 11, 1925.
[H. R. 8263.]
[Public, No. 395.]

CHAP. 206.—An Act To authorize the General Accounting Office to pay to certain supply officers of the regular Navy and Naval Reserve Force the pay and allowances of their ranks for services performed prior to the approval of their bonds.

Navy and Naval
Reserve Force.
Supply officers of, to
have pay for active
duty during World
War period prior to
approval of bonds.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to pay to all supply officers, or former supply officers, of the regular Navy or United States Naval Reserve Force, the pay and allowances of their respective ranks for active duty performed by such officers during the period from April 6, 1917, to March 3, 1921, inclusive, prior to the approval of their bonds by the Secretary of the Navy.

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CHAP. 207.—An Act To extend the period in which relief may be granted accountable officers of the War and Navy Departments, and for other purposes.

World War service.
Vol. 42, p. 497, amend-
ed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved April 21, 1922 (Forty-second Statutes at Large, page 497, chapter 136), be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Army and Navy dis-
bursing officers relieved
from losses incurred in.
Time extended.

“That the Comptroller General of the United States be, and hereby is, authorized, through such officers as he may designate, and within four years from the passage of this Act: (a) to relieve disbursing officers or special disbursing agents of the War and Navy Departments from accountability or responsibility for losses occurring between April 6, 1917, and November 18, 1921, of funds, or of accounts, papers, records, vouchers, or data pertaining to said funds, for which said officers or agents were accountable or responsible; and (b) to allow credits, in the settlement of accounts of said officers or agents, for payments made in good faith on public account during said period, notwithstanding failure to comply with requirements of existing law or regulations pursuant thereto: *Provided*, That in cases of losses or payments involving more than \$1,000, the Comptroller General shall exercise the authority herein only upon the written recommendation of the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy, which recommendation shall also set forth the facts relative to such loss or payment: *Provided further*, That the Comptroller General in all cases shall certify that the transactions, expenditures, losses, or payments appear to be free from fraud or collusion.”

Credits for irregular
payments made in good
faith.

Provided.
Requirement if over
\$1,000 involved.

Freedom from fraud
equisite.

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[H. R. 10528.]
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CHAP. 208.—An Act To refund taxes paid on distilled spirits in certain cases.

Internal revenue.
Distilled spirits.
Excess tax refunded
to distiller on, pro-
duced and owned by
him.
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Conditions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Internal Revenue may, pursuant to the provisions of section 3220, Revised Statutes, as amended, allow the claim of any distiller for the refund of taxes paid in excess of \$2.20 per proof gallon on any distilled spirits produced and now owned by him and stored on the premises of the distillery where produced, but no refund shall be allowed unless such spirits are contained in the distiller's original packages in which they were taxpaid, or in regularly stamped bottles and cases in which they were placed when bottled in bond, or in stamped or unstamped bottles into which they have been placed while on and without removal from the distillery premises: *Provided*, That the Commissioner of Internal Revenue

Provided.